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Interim Mayor Gloria Announces New Director of Development Services
Robert Vacchi Earns Promotion to Top Post

SAN DIEGO, CA (November 22, 2013) – Interim Mayor Todd Gloria today announced that the City's Development Services Department would be led by Robert Vacchi.

The Development Services Department is responsible for the land development code and permitting of construction projects, among other matters. Mr. Vacchi has served San Diego as a deputy city attorney, a deputy director for the Development Services Department, and as a land development planner.

“The Development Services Department serves a key purpose for San Diegans, and I have full confidence in Mr. Vacchi to lead it exceptionally well,” said Interim Mayor Gloria, who announced the appointment in a memo to City Councilmembers.

Mr. Vacchi earned a Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, and Juris Doctor from the University of San Diego, and has served on the City of San Diego Historical Resources Board, the San Diego Bar Association, and the Peninsula YMCA Board.

In October, Interim Mayor Gloria and Chief Operating Officer Scott Chadwick made changes to the City's management structure and developed a program to strengthen leadership opportunities for employees to enable more promotion from within the organization. Elevating Mr. Vacchi to his new post demonstrated progress for the City.

“San Diego City employees are among the most dedicated, professional workers you can find, and it is in our best interest to invest in them so we can best use their talent, expertise, and commitment to serve our citizens,” said Interim Mayor Gloria.

Mr. Vacchi's appointment is effective December 7, 2013.

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M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: November 22, 2013
TO: Honorable City Councilmembers
FROM: Interim Mayor Todd Gloria *Todd Gloria*
SUBJECT: Development Services Department Director Announcement

I am pleased to announce that Robert Vacchi will be the City of San Diego's Development Services Department Director effective December 7.

Mr. Vacchi is exceptionally well qualified to lead the department and oversee City operations related to many permits and the land development code, among other matters. He has served San Diego as a deputy city attorney, a deputy director for the Development Services Department, and as a land development planner.

He earned a Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, and Juris Doctor from the University of San Diego, and has served on the City of San Diego Historical Resources Board, the San Diego Bar Association, and the Peninsula YMCA Board.

I look forward to working with him in this new capacity and know he will continue to be a tremendous asset. Please join me in congratulating him on his new post.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Tom Tomlinson who accepted the position of Interim Director while recruitment was in place for a permanent leader. Mr. Tomlinson took on this temporary role and provided much needed guidance and leadership during the past six months.

cc: Honorable Jan Goldsmith, City Attorney
Scott Chadwick, Chief Operating Officer
Stacey LoMedico, Assistant Chief Operating Officer
Andrea Tevlin, Independent Budget Analyst
Judy Von Kalinowski, Human Resources Director